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Acquisition Reform Breakout Sessions 2000

"Bringing the Experts to You"

The Navy Acquisition Reform Office's new and exciting *Breakout Sessions 2000* were presented to our acquisition workforce, both government and industry, during a recent West Coast visit from 30 May—9 June 00. This year's session topics were selected by the Acquisition Reform representatives across the Systems Commands, DRPMs and PEOs. These sessions support the ARO's initiative to bring assistance to our workforce at their place of work.



The sessions started on the East Coast at the Naval Sea Systems Command. The West Coast sessions initiated at the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command, San Diego, CA and traveled to the Naval Surface Warfare Center (NSWC), Port Hueneme Division, Port Hueneme, CA. The Naval Warfare Assessment Station (Nwas), Corona, CA was the final stop.

Fourteen sessions were conducted at the three locations, reaching over 500 acquisition personnel. Several sessions were VTC'd to other Naval facilities. Topics included: Knowledge Management, Total Ownership Cost, Risk Management, Logistics Reform, Prime Vendor Support, DoD 5000 Rewrite, and Incorporating Acquisition Reform into Daily Work.

Session leaders from the Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Logistics Architecture), the Chief of Naval Operations (N4), the DoN Chief Information Office, the Naval Sea Systems Command, the Acquisition Business Management Office, the Naval Inventory Control Point, Industry, and the Acquisition Reform Office shared their knowledge and experience.

An added bonus to the trip included the presentation of Vice President Gore's "Hammer Award" to the Mr. Alan Hatmaker, Mr. David Garcia, and Mr. Brian Black of the Navy-Modular Specification System (N-SPECS) team at NSWC Port Hueneme.

Additional Breakout Sessions are planned at the following locations:

- FISC Norfolk: July/August 2000
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- Naval Air Systems Command, Patuxent River, MD: 29-30 August 00
- London/Naples/Bahrain: October 2000

The Breakout Sessions provide an overview of the latest AR initiatives. Specialized assistance is available through the Acquisition Reform Office's Program Assist Visits. InfoAlert #216 describes the Program Assist Visits in detail [<http://www.ar.navy.mil/infoalrt/inart216.pdf>]. Detailed information on the *Acquisition Reform Breakout Sessions 2000* is available at http://www.ar.navy.mil/thrust_out.html.

If you are interested in Breakout Sessions, contact the Director of Outreach and Communications, Acquisition Reform Office at: outreach@ar.navy.mil.

Upcoming Events

Navy Knowledge Fair	1 August
Navy-Industry R&D Partnership Conference	9-11 August
World Standards Day Conference	14-15 August
Military & Aerospace Avionics COTS Conf.	22-25 August